



Explanations

This unit focuses on a selection of verbs, including their adjectival forms. Many verbs have other uses followed by *-ing* or infinitive (see Grammar 18, 19). Passive uses with *by* are not included. See also Grammar 23, 24, 25.

Verbs followed by *in*

absorbed in something (especially *absorbed in her work/a book*)
confide in someone
be engrossed in something
implicate someone in something
involve someone in something
result in something
specialise in something
succeed in something

Verbs followed by *for*

account for something
allow for something (to take into consideration)
apologise for something/someone (on their behalf: *Let me apologise for Jack.*)
blame someone *for* something
care for something/someone
cater for something/someone
charge someone *for* something (make them pay for it)
count for something (especially: *I count for nothing in this company.*)
earmark something *for* a particular use
pay for someone/something

Verbs followed by *of*

accuse someone *of* something
convict someone *of* something
remind someone *of* something
suspect someone *of* something

Verbs followed by *with*

acquaint someone *with* something
associate someone *with* something
charge someone *with* something
clutter with something (especially passive: *The room was cluttered with boxes.*)
coincide with something
collide with something
comply with something
concern with something (usually passive: *be concerned with*)
confront someone *with* something
confuse someone/something *with* someone/something
cram with something (especially passive: *be crammed with*)

deal with someone/something
discuss something *with* someone
face with something (especially passive: *be faced with*)
ingratiate oneself *with* someone
meet with something (especially: *meet with an accident*)
pack with something (especially passive: *be packed with*)
plead with someone
provide someone *with* something
tamper with something
trust someone *with* something

Verbs followed by
from

bar someone *from* a place
benefit from something
derive something *from* something
deter someone *from* something
differ from something
distinguish one thing *from* another thing (also *distinguish between two things*)
distract someone *from* something
exempt someone *from* something
expel someone *from* a place
refrain from something
resign from something
result from something
stem from something
suffer from something
translate one language *from/into* another language

Verbs followed by
on

base something *on* someone
blame something *on* someone
centre something *on* something (usually passive: *be centred on*)
concentrate something *on* something
decide on something
depend on someone/something
elaborate on something
impose on someone
insist on something/someone doing something
pride oneself *on* something

Verbs followed by
against

insure something *against* something
protest against something

Verbs followed by
about

argue about something
be concerned about something (*be worried about*)
boast about something
decide about something
protest about something

Verbs followed by <i>out</i>	<i>phase something out</i>
Verbs followed by <i>at</i>	<i>glance at something</i> <i>guess at something</i> <i>hint at something</i> <i>marvel at something</i>
Verbs followed by <i>to</i>	<i>answer to something</i> (especially: <i>answer to a description</i>) <i>appeal to someone</i> (<i>beg</i>) It <i>appeals to</i> me. (meaning I like the idea.) <i>apply oneself to something</i> (<i>This rule doesn't apply to you.</i>) <i>attend to something</i> said/heard <i>attribute something to someone</i> <i>commit oneself to something</i> (especially passive: <i>be committed to</i>) <i>confess to something</i> <i>devote oneself to something</i> <i>prefer one thing to another thing</i> <i>react to something</i> <i>refer to something</i> (<i>This number refers to the next page.</i>) <i>refer someone to someone</i> (<i>The doctor referred me to a specialist.</i>) <i>be resigned to something</i> <i>resort to something</i> <i>see to something</i> (meaning <i>make sure it is done</i>) <i>subject someone to something</i> (stressed: <i>subject</i>) <i>succeed to the throne</i> <i>be used to doing something</i>